

Fresh air

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The Fresh Air fund provides the children's transportation and arranges for payment of any medical expenses which may be incurred during the visit by those without medical insurance. It also provides liability insurance for host families and volunteers. Local Fresh Air committees screen potential host families and assist them while the children are visiting.

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To apply to become a host family or for more information on the Fresh Air Fund call Lisa or Mark Robbins at 696-3056.

DISTRICT COURT BRIEFS

Scranton man to face trial for possession of drugs, paraphernalia

Scranton resident Earl O. Cassell II, 20, waived his right to a preliminary hearing and counsel on charges of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia May 30 before District Justice James Tupper.

He was arrested April 15 by Dallas Borough patrolman Fred Rosencrans, who had been called by College Misericordia security guard Michael Fuller. Fuller told police he noticed a suspicious white sports car in the parking lot.

When they approached the car, security guards saw Cassell

quickly shove something into his jacket pocket. They confiscated a small brown case containing a green vegetable substance, a pipe and Cassell's jacket, which contained more of the suspected marijuana spilled in a pocket. After a field test on the vegetable material showed positive for marijuana, Cassell admitted it was his.

Assisting in the arrest were patrolman William Norris and Kingston Township officers Charles Rauschkolb and Wade Curtis.

mouth and a large laceration on his left cheek.

Trindle was arrested by Jackson Township assistant police chief Jerome Leedock and Lehman Township chief Howard Kocher. He is free on \$1,000 bail.

D.U.I. CHARGES

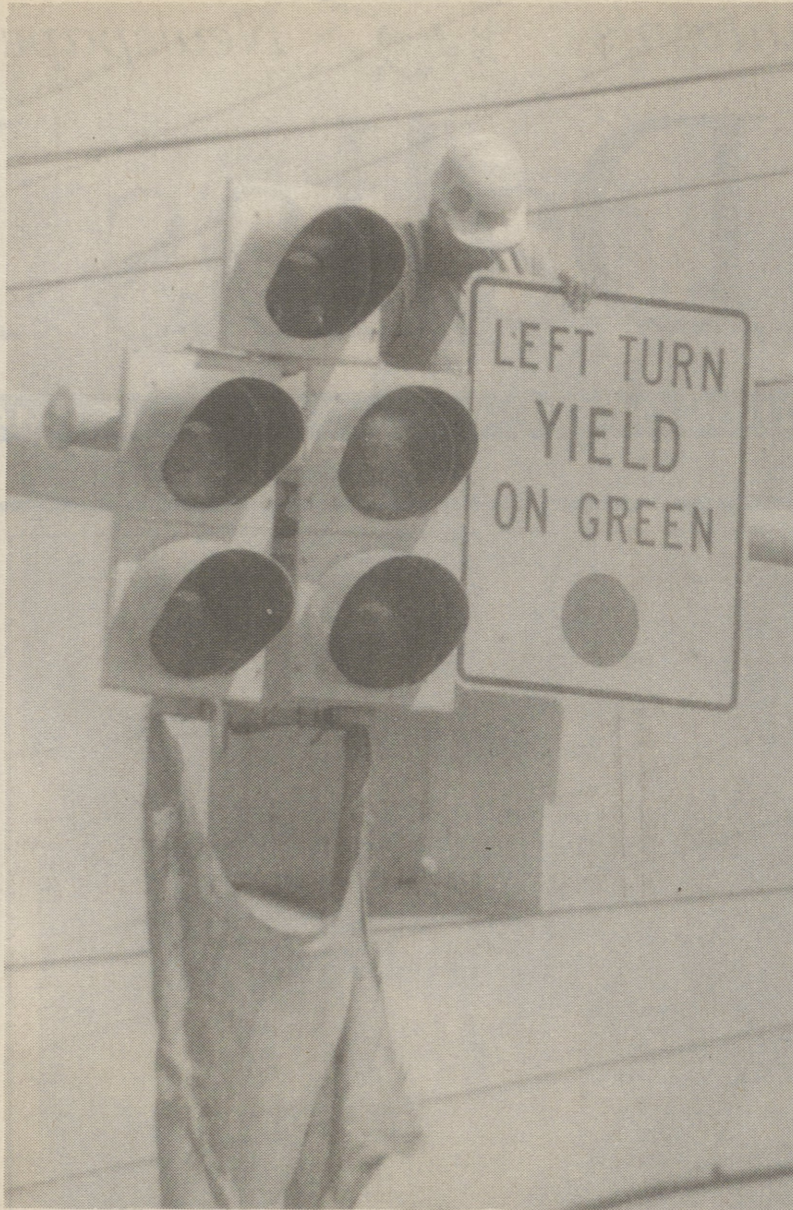
Two defendants charged with D.U.I. waived their rights to preliminary hearings May 30.

• Harveys Lake resident Leonard Karasek, 31, was arrested April 5 by Lake Township police chief John Masloski after police observed him driving erratically on Route 29. A blood test showed his blood alcohol level to be .178, nearly twice the legal limit of .10. Karasek was also cited for failure to keep right.

He was represented by attorney Gerald Wassil.

• Sweet Valley resident Raymond Cross, 43, was arrested Aug. 26, 1993, by Dallas Borough patrolman James Drury and refused to take a blood alcohol test, which resulted in the automatic suspension of his driver's license for one year. He was also cited for driving with a suspended license, making an improper left turn and not using his low beam.

Cross never accepted his court summons by certified mail and left the state for Nevada, not knowing a warrant for his arrest had automatically been issued. When he returned to the area he was arrested, and is free on \$300 bail. He waived his right to counsel.



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Alley-oop!

Tom Letteer, an electrician with Kuharchik Construction, installed a new traffic signal Friday at Orloski's, opposite the Dallas Shopping Center. Work on the highway safety project is a month ahead of schedule despite the weather. The lights may be operational by the end of July.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following property deeds were recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse for the week of May 17-23:

Deborah A. Ruckno, to William Cave, et ux, Lot 36 Shrine Acres, Dallas Twp., \$24,000.

Boyce A. Swisher, executor, to Jeffrey Lee Hockenbury, Church St., Goss Manor, Dallas Twp., \$77,627.

Ralph S. Smith, trustee, to Mark A. Margavage, et ux, 8.466 ac., Fairmount Twp., \$16,900.

Mary A. Durr, estate, to Josephine Mirable, Bywood Ave., Harveys Lake Bor., \$10,704.

John L. Schenck, et ux, to John G. Frank, et ux, Lot 38, Harveys Lake Bor., \$7,000.

Anne M. McDonald to David J. Gromniak, et ux, 1.22 ac., Hunlock

Twp., \$110,000. Mary Burns, estate, to Frank J. Spess, Lot 54 Field Crest, Jackson Twp., \$80,000.

Austin K. Howard, et ux, to George F. Speace, et ux, 4.058 ac., Jackson Twp., \$60,000.

USA Veterans Administration to Bankers Trust of Calif., trustee, 97 Carverton Road, Kingston Twp., \$64,501.

Jeffrey L. Sternlieb, to John P. Svec, et al, N. Pioneer Ave., Kingston Twp., \$135,000.

Richard Yench, to James Siberski, et ux, Lake Twp., \$14,000.

Ruth A. Turley, to Leonard F. Strong, et ux, Lt. 36 Norstedt & Burnett, Lehman Twp., \$47,000.

Donmark Enterprises to Robert E. Gray, Jr., et ux, 26.28 Trailing Plne Ac., Ross Twp., \$8,000.

PLEADS GUILTY TO POSSESSION

Hazleton resident Brian W. Lauer, 28, pled guilty to possession of drug paraphernalia and paid a total of \$375 in fines plus \$148 in court costs for his charge and a citation for driving an unregistered vehicle after a preliminary hearing May 30. A related charge of possession of marijuana was dismissed, according to court records.

He was arrested April 7 by Dallas Borough patrolman James Martin after police observed him driving a car with an expired license plate.

Police confiscated a Swiss Army knife, a pipe and a black film canister and two plastic bags containing suspected marijuana during a routine search of the vehicle.

HARVEYS LAKE MAN TO FACE TRIAL FOR ASSAULT

Harveys Lake resident William Trindle, Jr., 18, waived his rights to counsel and to a preliminary hearing May 30 on two counts of simple assault and one count of disorderly conduct.

The charges stemmed from an incident May 24, in which Trindle admitted reaching through the window of a car parked at the Lake-Lehman High School and striking Ryan Picci numerous times in the face. Picci was treated at the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital for a broken blood vessel in his left eye, bleeding from the

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The Odds 'n Ends and Book Booths of the Annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction are soliciting goods for sale at the fund-raising event from July 11 through 14. Direct donations and leftovers from garage and yard sales are needed.

Odds 'n Ends, chaired by Sybil Pelton and Mary George, is now stockpiling most usable items, except for clothing and large furniture pieces. They can use dishes and kitchenware, toys and puzzles, working appliances and radios, souvenirs and knick-knacks, sports items, records and tapes and jewelry - just about

anything that is new and used. The Book Booth, chaired by Benny Matchett and Jeff Matus, is separating and boxing all sorts of books and specialty magazines. Cookbooks and coffee-table types are especially needed, along with biographies, novels, historical works, childrens books and most all types.

Items for both booths may be left at the library any day during regular hours. A staff member will indicate where they may be placed. All receipts from the Library Auction are applied to its operating budget.

Dog wardens to check tags

Dog wardens from the Agriculture Department will check for unlicensed dogs in Luzerne County. Owners of unlicensed dogs may be prosecuted and fined under state law, according to Regional Dog Law Supervisor E. Dziak.

Pennsylvania law requires all dogs over six months of age to be licensed and kept on a leash at all times. "Dog owners must understand that a dog license protects them as well as others. A license could mean the difference between getting a lost dog returned and not seeing it again," Dziak said.

Dog licenses are available at the county treasurer's office in Wilkes-Barre. Fees are \$3 for

spayed or neutered dogs, and \$5 for all other dogs. Senior citizens 65 and older pay only \$1.75 to license sterilized dogs and \$2.75 for all other dogs.

Hearing dogs and aid dogs for the handicapped must be also licensed, although they are not subject to any fees.

Fines for unlicensed dogs or dogs roaming at large can be up to \$300 plus court costs, depending on the nature and degree of the offense.

To report dog bites, damages caused by dogs running at large or other related dog problems, contact Russ Carney at 717-836-1573 or 717-836-2181.

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